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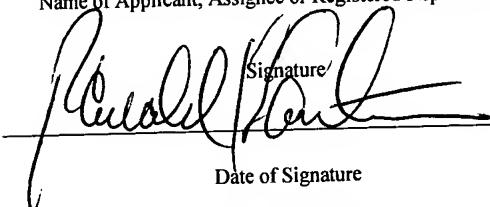
Applicant(s) : FISCHER et al.
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For : **TRANSDERMAL SYSTEMS FOR DELIVERING CLONIDINE**
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Before the issuance of the first Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows: